The Honorable Marsha J. Pechman 2 3 4 5 6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE 7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE 8 JULIE DALESSIO, an individual, No. 2:17-cv-00642-MJP 9 Plaintiff, DECLARATION OF DEREK C. CHEN 10 IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANTS' v. MOTION TO AMEND ANSWER 11 UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, a Washington Public Corporation; ELIZA 12 SAUNDERS, Director of the Office of Public Records, in her personal and official 13 capacity; ALISON SWENSON, Compliance Analyst, in her personal capacity; PERRY 14 TAPPER, Public Records Compliance Officer, in his personal capacity; ANDREW 15 PALMER, Compliance Analyst, in his personal capacity; JOHN or JANES DOES 16 1-12, in his or her personal capacity, 17 Defendants. 18 I, Derek C. Chen, declare as follows: 19 1. I am one of the attorneys representing the Defendant in this lawsuit. I make 20 this declaration based upon my own personal knowledge, upon facts which are admissible 21 in evidence. I am competent to testify to the matters set forth in this declaration. 22 2. Plaintiff notified us that he was unavailable from June 27, 2018 through 23 July 11, 2018. On July 11, 2018, I sent him an email including the proposed stipulated 24 agreement and draft amended Answer and asked if Plaintiff would be willing to agree to a 25 Plaintiff's counsel responded the next day, and counsel for the parties stipulation. 26 exchanged several emails regarding whether the parties could agree to a stipulation. 27

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Due to the deadline for amending pleadings, Defendants were required to file this motion by today in order to properly note it by the deadline. I advised Plaintiff's counsel that if the parties were able to come to agreement on a stipulation, Defendants would strike this motion. This remains true.

DATED this 12th day of July, 2018, at Seattle, Washington.

/s/ Derek C. Chen

Derek C. Chen, WSBA #49723